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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Artavanis-Tsakonas *et al.*

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Examiner: Kimberly Ballard

For: THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC  
METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS BASED ON  
NOTCH PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS

Attorney Docket No.: 7326-131

**REPLY WITH AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2009, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks made herein. Submitted concurrently herewith are (i) a Request for Continued Examination; (ii) a Petition for an Extension of Time for three months from September 19, 2009 to Saturday, December 19, 2009, accompanied by the appropriate fee; (iii) an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet; (iv) a Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; (v) a List of References Cited, listing References A23-A37 and C118-C124; and (vi) a copy of each of References C118-C124.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.